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In re Application of: : Confirmation No.: 1456
Norman S. MARTUCCI : Group Art Unit: 1733
Application No.: 10/663,259 : Examiner: Jeff H. Aftergut
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For: **METHOD OF MAKING COATED BRAIDED HOSE ASSEMBLY**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 7, 2006, to which a response is due without an extension by September 6, 2006. In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in the application. Please charge any deficiencies and credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 50-2036.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.